

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3501

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BENC NS  
SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: GOVERNMENT FUNDED LOW COST HOUSING  
PROGRAM

REF: STATE 164234

1. EMBASSY ADVISED BY SURINAM FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC HOUSING (PART OF MINISTRY OF LABOR AND PUBLIC HOUSING) THAT DECISION HAS NOT YET BEEN TAKEN ON TYPE OF HOME WHICH WILL BE SELECTED FOR GOVERNMENT-FUNDED LOW-COST HOUSING. WITH ELECTIONS NOW SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 31, PROGNOSIS IS THAT LITTLE PROGRESS WILL BE MADE ON THIS FRONT UNTIL AFTER THEN SINCE CONCERNED HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS WILL BE OCCUPIED WITH CAMPAIGNING.

2. AS FOR MODEL HOUSE SUBMITTED BY SURINAM-AMERICAN TRADE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (SATDC), EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT HOUSING FOUNDATION OFFER TO PURCHASE THIS INDIVIDUAL HOUSE WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO SATDC'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE (KARG). APPARENTLY FOUNDATION IS NOW IN PROCESS OF GIVING PERMISSION FOR LAND ON WHICH HOUSE WAS BUILT TO BE SOLD TO SATDC'S REPRESENTATIVES. SATDC SUB-MISSION CAN STILL BE CONSIDERED FOR HOUSING PROGRAM, HOWEVER, AND FOUNDATION'S DIRECTOR RECOMMENDS THEY CONTINUE TO KEEP IN TOUCH THROUGH THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.  
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3. FYI: KARG HAS IN FACT BEEN HELD IN POLICE CUSTODY SINCE HE RETURNED FROM THE U.S. IN MAY. THOUGH NO CHARGES HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED, ALLEGATIONS ARE THAT KARG MISUSED GOVERNMENT FUNDS IN HIS POSITION AS HEAD OF THE PACKING DIVISION OF THE CENTRAL IMPORTING AGENCY. EMBASSY HAS NO WAY OF KNOWING WHETHER KARG WILL IN FACT BE CHARGED AND

TRIED OR HOW LONG HE MAY BE INCARCERATED. WE WOULD ASSUME,  
HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD BE AT LEAST FOR THE PRESENT  
HAMPERED IN HIS ABILITY TO REPRESENT SATDC EFFECTIVELY.  
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